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US. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/509,256. Title: X-Ray Absorbing Material and Variants. Inventors: Nosov et al. Filed March 22, 2000. Examiner: WACHTEL. ALEXISA

Dear Sir,

I am one of the group of Inventors/Applicants of the above-referenced US Patent Application acting on behalf of all these persons. In the course of the patenting of the aforementioned invention we were assisted by the US Patent Attorneys of LACKENBACH SIEGEL, LLP. Due to the fact that I failed to receive any clear explanation from the Patent Attorneys of LACKENBACH SIEGEL, LLP. in connection with the latest developments, I have taken the liberty of forwarding this inquiry directly to the USPTO.

I have recently received information on the grant of Letters Patent on the above-referenced patent application. Neither in the Notice of Allowance nor in the Patent publication/Patent Certificate of the US Patent No: 7,053,013 I found any information concerning the partial ASSIGNEES of the matter patent application. I kindly draw your attention to the fact that the partial Assignment of rights in the present patent application was recorded by the USPTO on September 9, 2004 on Reel 015763 and Frame 0629 in the USPTO's Official Assignment Division Records. A copy of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document is attached herewith.

Furthermore, in the Patent Publication and in the Patent the addresses of mine and Mr. SOKOLOV (one of the patent shareholders) were indicated erroneously the correct data (as recorded together with the above-mentioned recordal of assignment are:

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Therefore I was very surprised and even astonished by the fact that the official information on Patent Holders/Assignees either contained errors or was not listed in any materials related to the grant of Patent at all. The availability and correctness of the information on the Patent Holders and Assignees is of crucial importance for all the inventors and assignees in the aspect of commercialization of the above-referenced invention which is now pending. In view of such urgent importance I kindly request about incorporation of the changes in the names and addresses of respective persons in the Patent Certificate, Patent Publication and all other documents related to the grant of the US Letters Patent (namely, adding Mr. MEZHUEV, Mikola Mikolaiovich; ALEXEYEV, Yuriy Sergiovich; KRIKUN, Yuriy Olexandrovich and DZHUR, Eugen Olexiyovich, all citizens of the Ukraine + correction of information on myself and Mr. SOKOLOV).

In addition, I would appreciate your responses to the following questions:

- Does such situation when not all the Patent Holders/Assignees are indicated in the patent publication correspond to the rules of patents publications effective in the United States?
- If there is an error in the Patent Certificate and Patent Publication, I wonder how it could have occurred if the USPTO had previously recorded the Assignment? Who must have watched the correctness of the information on Assignees/Patent holders and who is 'guilty' about this situation? And who should assume the damages caused to the Patent Holders/Assignees by the non-indication of all the Patent Holders/Assignees in the Patent Publication/Patent Certificate?
- How long it would take to correct the information on the Patent Holders/Assignees?

Please, advise me if prompt incorporation of the above-indicated data would be possible?

Your prompt reply will be appreciated. I would highly appreciate if you could send me a reply to the E-mail address contact@pattrade.ru or by fax +7-495-621-47-28

Many thanks for your kind assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Igor S. NOSOV
Applicant and Inventor

